

Registration and Title System Release 7.6.0 Internet Vehicle Title and Registration Service 4.8.0

Release Notes

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1. Document Guide

The Registration and Title System (RTS) Release Notes have the following purposes:

- Prepare RTS users for upcoming system changes.
- Provide a short-term reference tool for the period after a release when changes are still new to users.
- Serve as a historical reference regarding the technical changes made to Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) applications.

In each section of this document, you will find an overview of the RTS change, and in most cases, screen shots to help familiarize you with the new features and/or changes. The following icons highlight sub-sections of the release notes that might be of particular interest to RTS users.



RTS Change – New RTS feature, correction, or modification included in the release.



How To – Provides basic steps for using the RTS change item.



TAC Office Considerations – This section includes important points to consider when determining how to implement the new RTS change, reminders, and useful tips.

2. Release at a Glance

This document describes new features, and enhancements to the RTS 7.6.0 and Internet Vehicle Title and Registration Service (IVTRS) 4.8.0.

The RTS 7.6.0 statewide release date is March 1, 2015.

2.1. Important Reminders

In this RTS release, there are several things you need to address before Go Live on March 1:

- ♦ Notify your DTA dealers they <u>must</u> be on DTA software version 7.4.0 or later now in order for you to process their transactions through RTS Point of Sale beginning March 1.
- ◆ There are DTA Data Dictionary changes included in 7.6.0 effective March 1. The following changes are:
 - Id Type (Field No: 137): Add IDTYPE CD: "7" and "FEIN" to list of IDTYPEDESC.
 - InspectnDate (Field No: 139): Date of vehicle inspection; required on and after March 1.
 - InspectnTypeCd (Field No: 140): Type of vehicle inspection issued; required on and after March 1.

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3. Single Sticker

3.1 Overview

House Bill 2305, passed during the 83rd Regular Legislative Session, required the Texas Department of Public Safety (TxDPS), the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), and the TxDMV to implement a single sticker system and make issuance of vehicle registration dependent on a passing vehicle inspection. There are no changes to the vehicles requiring inspection. A passing inspection prior to registration applies only to vehicles requiring an inspection.

The state's portion of the inspection fee is collected at the time of registration. During the first year of the program, the state's portion of the inspection fee will not be due for vehicles that passed an inspection before March 1, 2015. There are no changes to the inspection or registration fees for such vehicles.

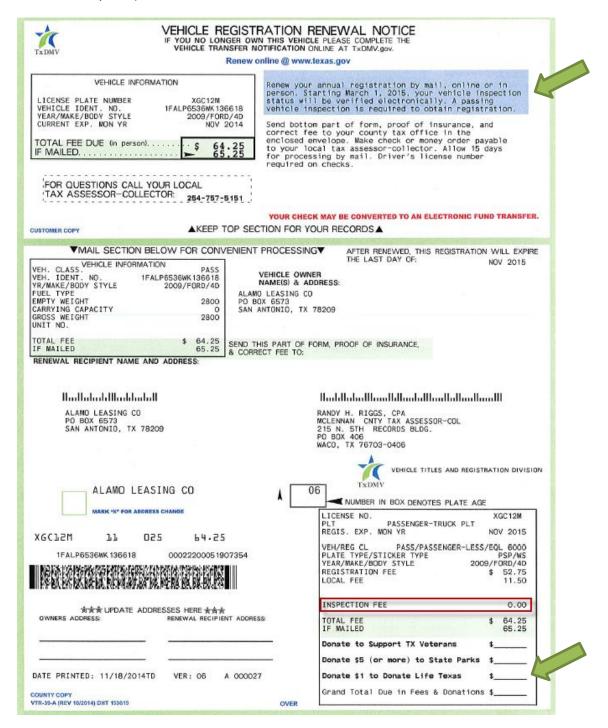
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3.2 Registration Renewal Notice

Changes to the registration renewal notice are minimal. There is a new notification message at the top right (the blue box). The message in the box gives general information about the Single Sticker Program starting on March 1, 2015.

There is a new line item for the Inspection Fee due if applicable.

In addition, Donate Life Texas joins the other donation write in lines that currently allow customers to give monetary support to Texas Veterans and Texas State Parks (minimum \$5 donation for parks).



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3.3 Vehicle Inspection and Registration Notice

A Vehicle Inspection and Registration Notice will be mailed to the renewal recipient if a vehicle has no record in the State Inspection Database. The notice is to inform the renewal recipient it is time to renew their registration; however, a current, passing vehicle inspection is required.

A renewal recipient will not receive a registration renewal notice if they receive a Vehicle Inspection and Registration Notice. Renewal recipients that receive the notice will be able to renew online or in person at their county tax office; however, they will not be able to renew their registration at a subcontractor location because a registration renewal notice is required.



VEHICLE INSPECTION AND REGISTRATION NOTICE

«Date»

«FirstName» «LastName» «Address1» «City», TX «Zip»

Dear «FirstName» «LastName»:

Starting March 1, 2015, a new state law changed how payment is made for vehicle inspections. The inspection fees have not changed but you pay the inspection station their portion of the fee at the time of inspection and the state's portion of the fee will be collected at the time of registration.

LICENSE PLATE	YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	VIN		
ABC1234	2014	FORD	PK	12345678912345678		

You are receiving this notice in lieu of your registration renewal notice, to make you aware that the vehicle shown above must pass a state inspection before yournay obtain registration. Registration on this vehicle is due for renewal before the last day of «Month» «Year».

A recent check of the inspection database maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety and/or the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality did not reflect a current record of a passing inspection for the vehicle shown above.

If the vehicle has not yet received a current, passing inspection, please take the vehicle to an inspection station. After completing the inspection, you may obtain registration at your local county tax office with this notice and the Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR) provided by the inspection station.

If the vehicle shown has a current, passing inspection, you may renew online at www.Texas.gov or at your local county tax assessor-collector's office. If unable to renew online, provide this notice and the VIR at your county tax office at the time of registration.

For a duplicate copy of your VIR, contact the inspection station where you obtained the vehicle inspection, or a Texas state inspection station.

Visit www.TxDMV.gov for more information on this program.

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3.4 Inspection Fee Notice

The Inspection Fee Notice is for individuals who purchased multi-year registration and are not due for registration renewal. The Inspection Fee Notice is a courtesy reminder to complete the annual inspection and pay the state's portion of the inspection fee. The Inspection Fee Notice is mailed the month before the registration expiration month. The "Verify Inspection" remark will be placed on the vehicle record if the individual takes no action. The remark will be removed when the inspection is verified and the state's portion of the inspection fee is paid and processed through the RTS Status Change Event.



INSPECTION FEE NOTICE

«Date»

«FirstName» «LastName»

«Address1»

«City», TX «Zip»

Dear «FirstName» «LastName»:

Our records indicate that the vehicle shown has current multi-year registration and is due for registration renewal before the last day of «Month» «Year». However, this vehicle is also required by law to pass an annual vehicle safety and/or emissions inspection.



Starting March 1, 2015, a new state law changed how payment is made for vehicle inspections. Under the state's new registration-based enforcement of inspection program, a portion of the inspection fee is paid to the inspection station and the remaining portion is collected by your county tax assessor-collector's office. Fee information specific to this vehicle may be found at www.TwoStepsOneSticker.com by entering the VIN or plate number in the Look Up tool; or, check the Vehicle Inspection Report provided by your state inspection station for the "Insp. Type" to determine the fee due:

INSP. TYPE	INSPECTION	FEE DUE
1YR	One Year Safety Only	\$7.50
ASM	ASM Safety and Emission	\$8.25
CDEC / CW	Commercial - Decal or Windshield	\$22.00
CWEO	Comm. Windshield and Emission	\$24.75
EMONLY	Emission Test Only	\$2.75
NLTSI	Travis & Williamson Co-No LIRAP	\$8.25

INSP. TYPE	INSPECTION	FEE DUE
OBD	OBD Safety and Emission	\$14.25
OBDNL	OBD Safety Emission - No LIRAP	\$8.25
SOEO	One Year Safety and Emission	\$10.25
TLMC	Trailer or Motorcycle	\$7.50
TSI	TSI Safety and Emission	\$8.25
TSIOSO	TSI OBD Safety and Emission	\$10.25

If paying by mail, detach and use the Fee Notice below after writing in the amount due based on the vehicle's inspection record. You may remit payment by mail, or in person to your local county tax assessor-collector's office only.

NOTE: Unless this vehicle is inspected and the state portion of the inspection fee is paid, a remark will be placed on the motor vehicle record to 'VERIFY INSPECTION'

PLEASE DETACH & RETURN WITH PAYMENT IN THE FORM OF CHECK OR MONEY ORDER - DO NOT MAIL CASH

STATE OF TEXAS INSPECTION FEE NOTICE

LICENSE PLATE	YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	VIN
ABC1234	2014	FORD	PK	12345678912345678

REMIT PAYMENT TO:

«County Tax Assessor-Collector Name»

«County Name»

«County Address»

«City», TX «Zip»

STATE PORTION INSP. DUE
IN SPECTION TYPE
AMOUNT ENCLOSED

3.5 Vehicle Inspection Reports (VIRs)

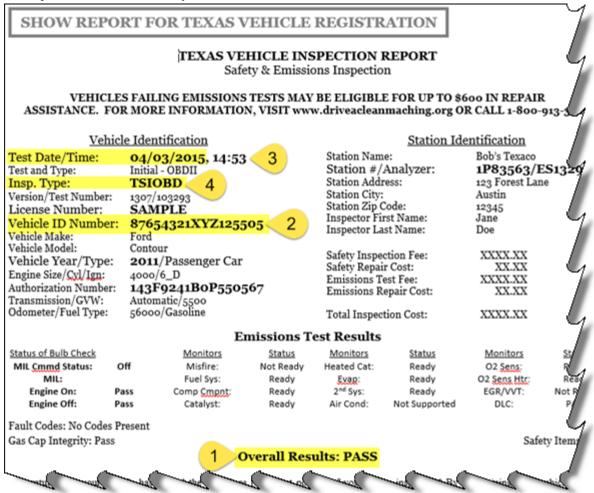
A customer will need to present a valid VIR if there is no inspection record in the State Inspection Database in order to register their vehicle.

There are two VIRs; one is for an emissions inspection, and the other is for a safety only inspection.

Below is an example of a valid VIR, from an emissions county:

- 1. Overall Results: PASS
- 2. Vehicle Identification Number (Vehicle ID Number)
- 3. Inspection Date
- 4. Inspection Type

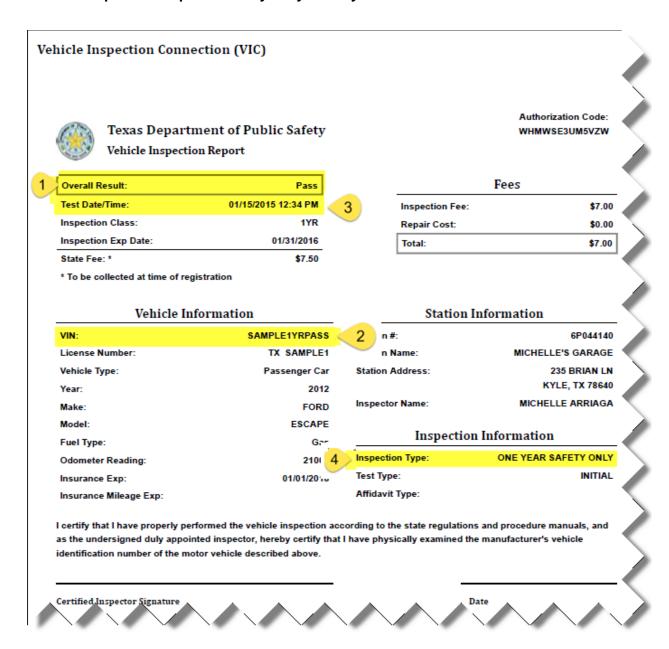
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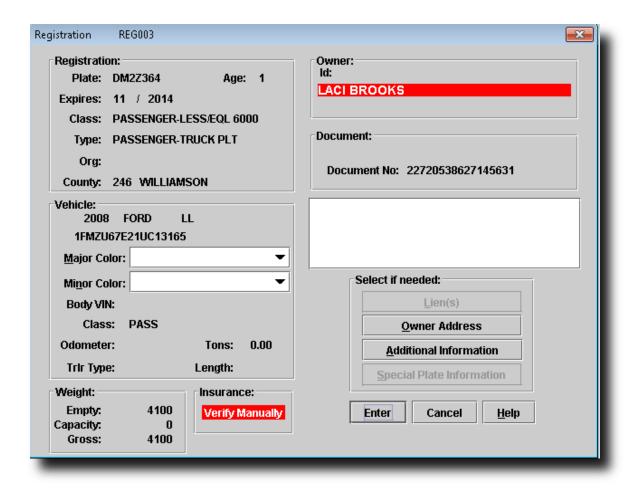
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Vehicle Inspection Report – Safety Only County



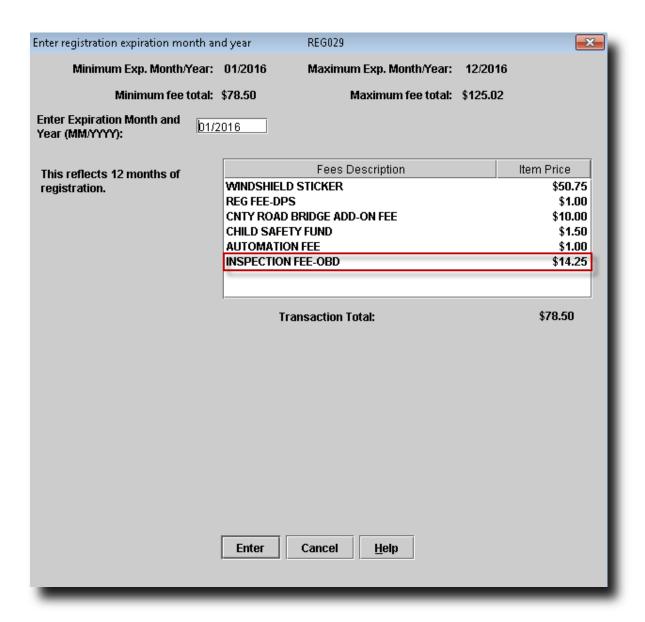
3.6 Inspection Electronically Verified

There are no changes to the Registration (REG003) screen; it will look the same as today. The clerk will continue processing to the Enter registration expiration month and year (REG029) screen.



A new line item appears on the Enter registration expiration month and year (REG029) screen showing the state's portion of the inspection fee.

Note: Inspection fees shown on the RTS screens are for illustration purposes only.

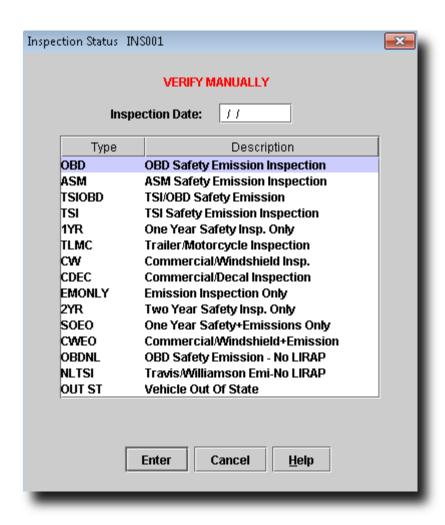


3.7 Inspection Manually Verified

The Inspection Status (INS001) screen is a new screen that lists all the inspection types. This screen will display if there is not a record of a current, passing inspection in the State Inspection Database and the inspection needs to be manually verified. The clerk will need to enter the date of the inspection and select the Inspection Type as shown on the customer's VIR. There is no scroll bar, so the clerk will see all the Inspection Types available.

If an individual self-certifies the vehicle is out of state and unable to return for an inspection, the clerk will select OUT ST (Vehicle Out of State) as the inspection type and click ENTER. The remark "Verify Inspection" will be placed on the vehicle record for law enforcement purposes only and requires no additional action by the county.

The Inspection Date field is grayed out and cannot be completed if OUT ST is selected as the inspection type. The Inspection Date field is cleared if an inspection date was entered prior to selection of the OUT ST inspection type.



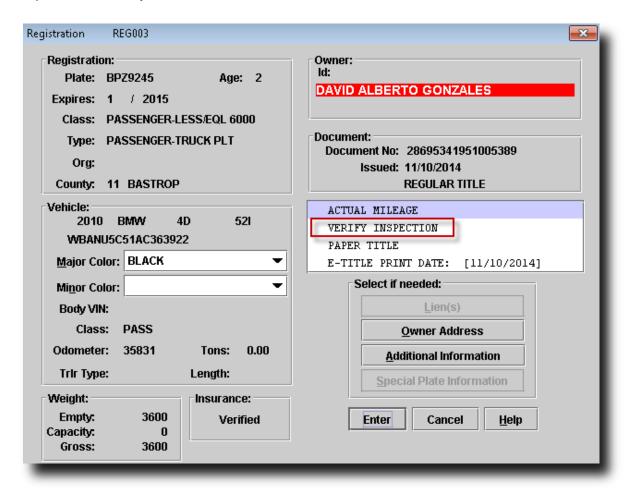
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3.8 New "Verify Inspection" Remark

A "Verify Inspection" remark is placed on the vehicle record when OUT ST is selected because an individual self-certifies the vehicle is out of state and unable to return for an inspection.

The "Verify Inspection" remark is for law enforcement purposes only and counties are not required to take any action.



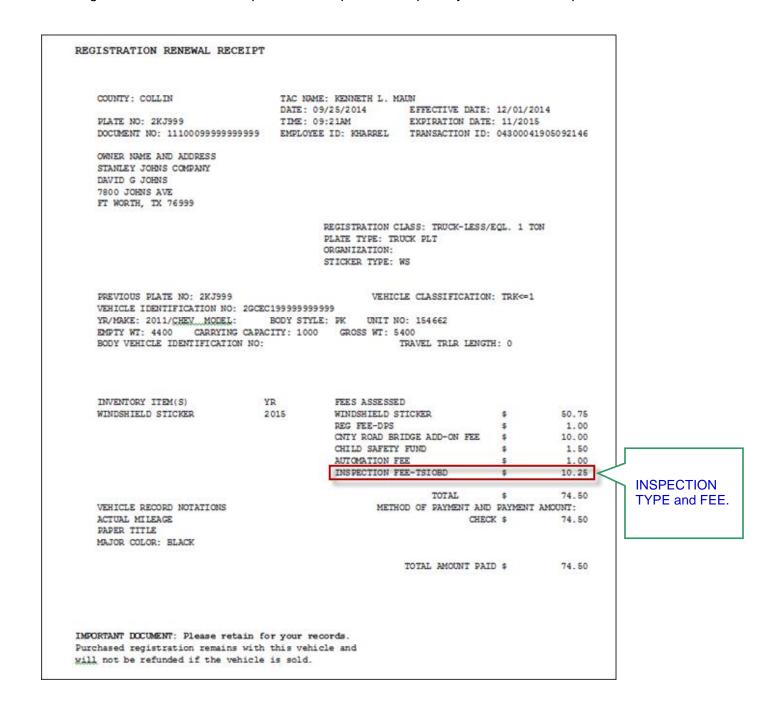
Version 2.0 Revised Date: 01/26/2015 This "New Inspection Required" message will pop up if the inspection date entered on the INS001 screen is expired. For registration renewals, inspections must be current on the day you process the renewal and as of the new registration effective date, which is the first day of the following month. For title transfers, inspections must be current on the title transaction date.



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Registration Renewal Receipt

The Registration Renewal Receipt lists the inspection fee paid by the renewal recipient.

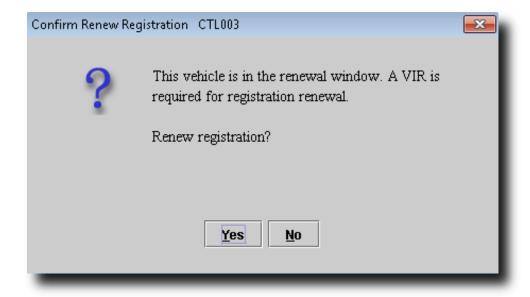


3.9 Title Transfer in Renewal Window

The primary difference between the RTS Registration and Title Events is when renewal is in the window at time of title transfer. The Confirm Renew Registration (CTL003) message displays for private party transfers only when no record of a current, passing inspection is in the State Inspection Database, and the registration is within the renewal window.

If the customer wants to renew the registration at the time of title transfer, the clerk will select YES and will verify the inspection manually. If the customer chooses not to renew registration, the clerk selects NO and completes the transaction.

NOTE: This message will not display for dealer transfers.



3.10 RTS Status Change

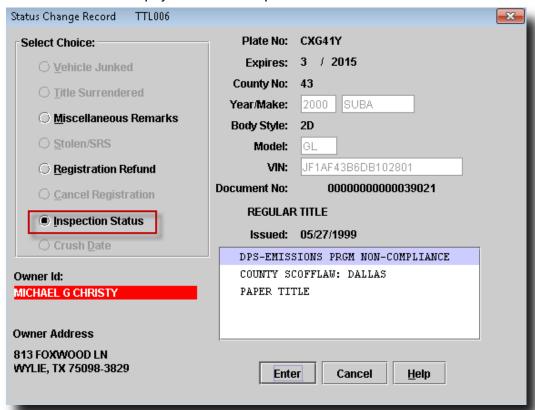
A new button (Inspection Status) has been added to the Status Change Record (TTL006) screen. If a customer comes in to pay the state portion of the inspection fee, the Status Change Event must be used to collect the fee to ensure the inspection fee is tied to a specific vehicle based on the VIN.

Use Status Change Record for:

- The collection of the state's portion of the inspection fee for those who have multi-year registration not eligible for renewal, the inspection status is required to be verified, and the state's portion of the inspection fee paid.
- Individuals who self-certified the vehicle was out of state when renewing registration.
 When the vehicle returns to Texas and an inspection is completed, the individual may
 request inspection be verified and pay the state's portion of the inspection fee. Verifying
 inspection status and paying the fee will remove the "Verify Inspection" remark from the
 vehicle record.

Here are a couple of the things the Status Change Record does:

- Properly collects and processes the distribution of the inspection fee collected.
- Removes the remark placed on the vehicle record if there is a remark on the vehicle record for non-payment of the inspection fee.



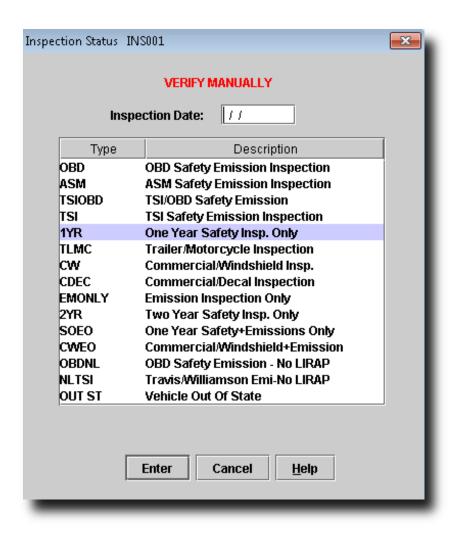
NOTE: Access to Inspection Status is not dependent on security access to the RTS Status Change Record event.

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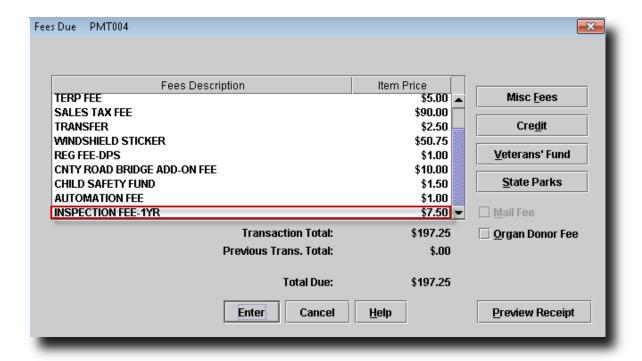
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Manual verification of inspection is required when collecting the state's portion of the inspection fee in the Status Change Record event if there is no inspection record.

The clerk will enter the inspection date and select the inspection type in the Inspection Status (INS001) screen.



The inspection fee due will appear in the Fees Due (PMT004) screen as a single line item.

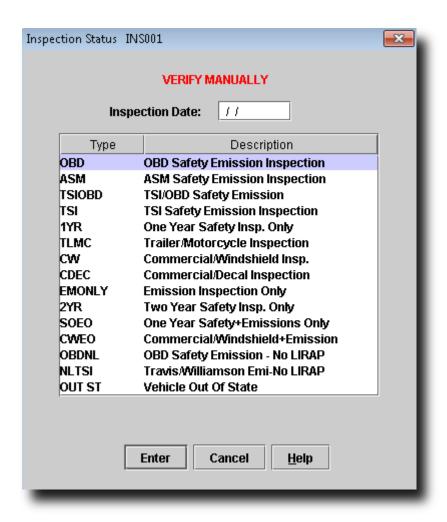


3.11 Dealer Title Application (DTA)

DTA is a stand-alone application, which means there is no interface between DTA and the State Inspection Database. When the county processes the flash drive, RTS will check the State Inspection Database to verify a current, passing inspection. The new INS001 screen pops up and the inspection information must be entered manually if there is no inspection record found.

DTA is no different from any other event where the clerk will need to manually review the VIR and enter the vehicle's inspection information.

OUT ST (Vehicle Out of State) is not a valid inspection type selection for dealer transactions. A Texas dealer cannot select OUT ST for the inspection type for a vehicle they have sold. If the dealer selects OUT ST as the inspection type, an error message will pop up sayings "THIS SELECTION IS NOT AVAILABLE IN THIS EVENT."



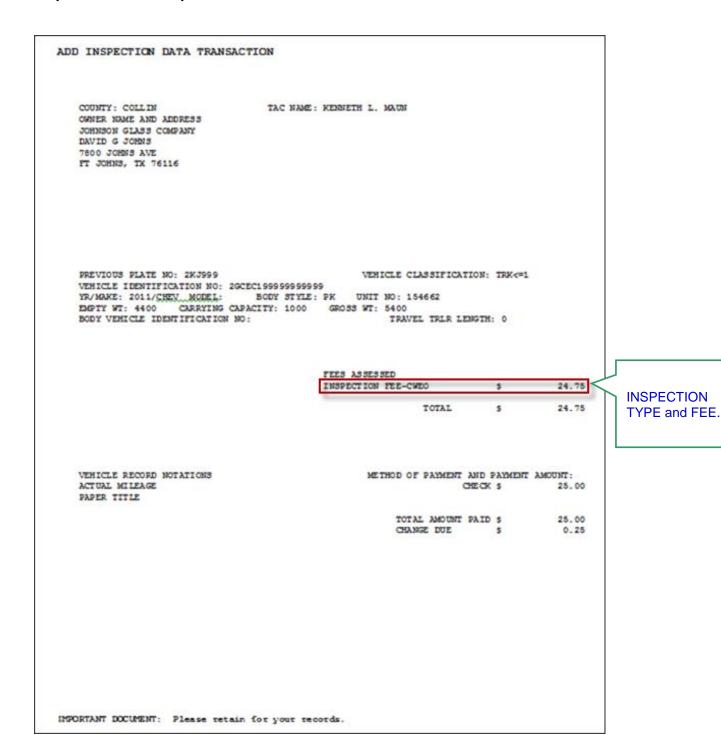
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Title Application Receipt

The Title Application Receipt lists any inspection fee paid.

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TITLE APPLICATION RECEIPT
   COUNTY: COLLIN
                                   TAC NAME: KENNETH L. MAUN
                                   PLATE NO: 2K9999 TIME: 09:34AM EXPIRATION DATE: 11/2015
DOCUMENT NO: 042099999999999999999 EMPLOYEE ID: KHARREL TRANSACTION ID: 042000041905093413
   PREV DOC NO: 11100099999999999 P
   OWNER NAME AND ADDRESS
   JOHNNY JOHNS
   202 SMITH DR
   AUSTIN, TX 78746
                                           REGISTRATION CLASS: TRUCK-LESS/EQL. 1 TON
                                           PLATE TYPE: TRUCK PLT
                                           ORGANIZATION:
                                           STICKER TYPE: WS
   VERICLE IDENTIFICATION NO: 2GCEC199999999999
                                                    VEHICLE CLASSIFICATION: TRK<-1
                                 BODY STYLE: PK UNIT NO:
   YR/MAKE: 2011/CHEV...MODEL:
   EMPTY WT: 4400 CARRYING CAPACITY: 1000 GROSS WT: 5400 TRAILER TYPE:
   BODY VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO:
                                                         TRAVEL TRLR LNG/WDTH: 0
   PREV OWNER NAME: WACO WHEELS AND DEALS PREV CITY/STATE: WACO, TX
   INVENTORY ITEM(S)
   WINDSHIELD STICKER
                                2015
                                             PEES ASSESSED
                                             TITLE APPLICATION FEE
                                                                               13.00
   VEHICLE RECORD NOTATIONS
                                             TEXAS MOBILITY FUND FEE
   ACTUAL MILEAGE
                                             TERP FEE
   PAPER TITLE
                                             SALES TAX PEE
                                                                                   812.50
                                             TRANSFER
                                             WINDSHIELD STICKER
                                                                                  50.75
                                             REG FEE-DPS
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                                             CNTY ROAD BRIDGE ADD-ON FEE
                                                                                  10.00
                                             CHILD SAFETY FUND
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                                                                                     1.00
                                              AUTOMATION FEE
                                            INSPECTION FEE-1YR
                                                                                    7.50
                                                              TOTAL 6 919.75
                                                                                                    INSPECTION
   ODOMETER READING: 000105 BRAND: A
                                                                                                    TYPE and FEE.
   OWNERSHIP EVIDENCE: TEXAS TITLE
                                                    METHOD OF PAYMENT AND PAYMENT AMOUNT:
   1ST LIEN
                                                                     CHECK S
                                                                                   919.75
                                                         TOTAL AMOUNT PAID 6
                                                                                919.75
                                                       SALES TAX CATEGORY: SALES/USE
   2ND LIEN
                                          Date of Assignment/Sales Tax Date: 09/25/2014
   3RD LIEN
                                                               Sales Price $ 13,000.00
                                                    Less Trade In Allowance 5
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                                                            Taxable Amount 5 13,000.00
                                                                                812.50
                                                            Sales Tax Paid 5
                                                  Less Other State Tax Paid 6
Tax Penalty 6
TOTAL TAX PAID 6
                                                                                   0.00
                                                                                    0.00
                                                                                  812.50
                                           Batch No: 0004190501
                                                                   Batch Count: 1
   THIS RECEIPT IS YOUR PROOF OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF TITLE AND REGISTRATION.
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Inspection Fee Receipt



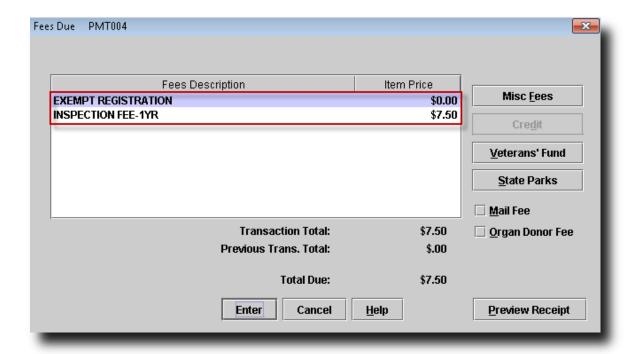
3.12 Standard Exempt Registration

Renewal notices will be sent to Exempt agencies by using the inspection expiration month. The inspection fee due will be printed on the renewal notice. Exempt agencies will pay the inspection fee to the county by walk in, mail, or online. The registration sticker issued must be displayed on the vehicle.

The PMT004 screen will show the state's portion of the inspection fee is due after processing a registration for a vehicle with standard exempt registration.

Standard Exempt plates need to be replaced if the age of the plate is over 7 years.

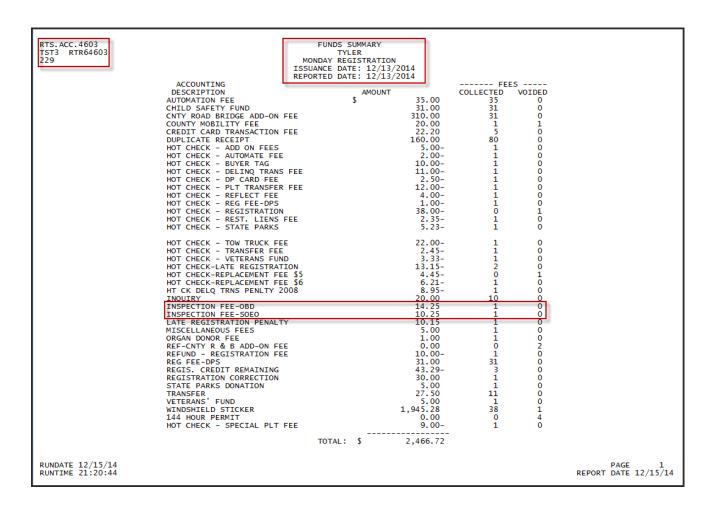
NOTE: No registration or local fees are due with standard exempt registration.



3.12 RTS Reports

The state's portion of the inspection fee collected will be included on various RTS reports. The following are examples of the Funds Transactions (4602) and the Funds Summary (4603) reports.

RTS.ACC.4602 TST3 RTR64602			ı	FUNDS TRANS		1					
229				ONDAY REGIS	TRATION						
					12/13/2014						
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22980041982160200	14.25										
THERESTIAN FEE SOSO	TOTAL: \$	14.25	FEES	COLLECTED:	1	FEES	VOIDED:	0			
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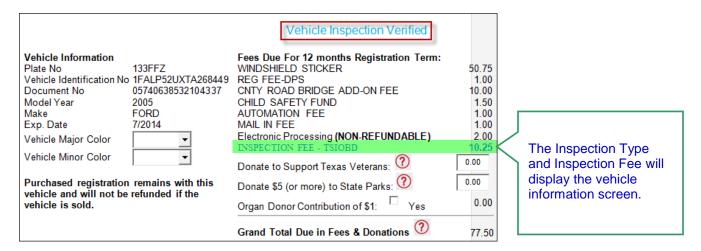
Internet Vehicle Title and Registration Service (IVTRS)

IVTRS will automatically check the State Inspection Database to verify a vehicle has a current, passing inspection as of the Registration Effective Date as part of the online registration renewal process.

An individual may self-certify during the online renewal process if a vehicle is located outside of Texas and the customer qualifies.

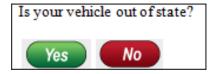
IVTRS will automatically query the State Inspection Database if the vehicle is required to be annually inspected after an individual completes the eligibility page, selects their county of residence, and enters vehicle information (as they do now).

An individual can complete their online renewal if there is a current, passing inspection in the State Inspection Database.



An individual is presented with a series of questions if no record of a current, passing inspection is found in the State Inspection Database.

IVTRS will prompt the YES/NO question: Is your vehicle out of state? If the customer selects YES, they are given opportunity to self-certify that they are eligible to do so. If the customer selects NO, they must obtain a passing Texas vehicle inspection.



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4.1 No Inspection – Vehicle Not Out of State

If the customer answers NO to the out of state question, this message will appear and the user will click on the Continue button.

Your vehicle inspection cannot be verified at this time. If you have a current passing vehicle inspection and have the Vehicle Inspection Report, please bring it to your county tax office. They will verify the vehicle has passed inspection and you will be able to proceed with registration.

If you do not have a current passing vehicle inspection, you will need to have your vehicle inspected at a licensed inspection facility. A passing vehicle inspection is required to obtain registration. After your vehicle has passed inspection you will be able to renew your registration online, by mail or at the county tax office.



4.2 No Inspection – Vehicle Is Out of State

If the customer answers YES to the out of state question, this message will appear:

The following individuals may continue to register in Texas even if the vehicle is out of state: Active Duty Military, Full-time Students, Seasonal Texans, Apportioned Vehicles, Elected Congressional Officials.

You must complete a Texas inspection upon returning to Texas. A remark will be placed on your vehicle record indicating that an inspection is still due. Law enforcement will not be able to electronically verify your inspection. You will need to retain your vehicle inspection report to show to law enforcement because the remark will not be removed at the time of inspection.

☐ I certify that I am entitled to continue to renew my Texas registration and the vehicle is out of state and unable to complete the required inspection. I understand I must obtain a passing Texas inspection when the vehicle returns to Texas. I understand that a remark will be placed on my vehicle record informing law enforcement to verify my vehicle's inspection status.

